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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of the office action dated September 18, 2007. Filed herewith is a petition for a three month extension of time and associated fee to extend the time to answer from December 18, 2008 to March 18, 2008.

In response to the Office Action mailed September 18, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.